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SUBJECT: GOB PERSONNEL CHANGES

1. AS WAS EXPECTED IN WAKE OF HIS ELEVATION TO BCP
CC SECRETARY, OGNAN DOYNOV HAS BEEN RELIEVED OF DUTIES
AS DEPUTY PREMIER. ANNOUNCEMENT WAS CARRIED IN PRESS
APRIL 24. IT HAD BEEN GENERALLY ASSUMED THAT DOYNOV'S
NEW POSITION WOULD REQUIRE HIS FULL ATTENTION. NO
SUCCESSOR AS DEPUTY PREMIER HAS BEEN NAMED, AND NONE
MAY BE, PENDING FORMATION OF "NEW GOVERNMENT" AFTER
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS MAY 30.

2. PRESS APRIL 24 ALSO CARRIED ANNOUNCEMENT ENCHO
MOSKOV HAD BEEN RELIEVED OF DUTIES AS FIRST SECRETARY
OF DIMITROV YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE (DYCL) AT PLENUM
OF THAT ORGANIZATION APRIL 23. HE WAS REPLACED BY
BOYCHO SHTERYANOV, PREVIOUSLY A SECRETARY OF DYCL.
ANOTHER SECRETARY, ATANAS DIMITROV WAS RELEASED WITHOUT
A SUCCESSOR BEING NAMED.

3. IN VIEW OF LONG CONTINUING CRITICISM OF YOUTH
AND DYCL IN PARTICULAR, SHAKE-UP IN LEADERSHIP IS
NOT SURPRISING. SHTERYANOV, RATHER THAN MOSKOV,
DELIVERED SELF-CRITICAL DYCL REPORT TO ELEVENTH BCP
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CONGRESS, GIVING AN INDICATION OF THINGS TO COME.

EMBASSY HAS NO BIO INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE
FIGURES BEYOND THEIR DYCL POSITIONS.

4. ALTHOUGH TODOR ZHIVKOV ATTENDED DYCL PLENUM,
NO FURTHER DETAILS ON MEETING WERE GIVEN TO PRESS,
NOT EVEN IN NARODNA MLADZHZH.

5. FINALLY, PRESS APRIL 24 ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT OF
GEORGI ZHEKOV GYUROV AS AMBASSADOR TO ANGOLA, AND
TENYU PETROV KOLEV AS AMBASSADOR TO LAOS, SUCCEEDING
NIKOLAY CHERNEV NIKOLOV. POST'S BIO FILES CONTAIN
NO INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE THREE INDIVIDUALS.
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